

**Village of Lovington  
Regular Board Meeting  
June 10, 2013**

**Call to order:** Trustee Roger Walker residing in President Jim Minor's absents, called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Since the pledge was led in the Appropriations Meeting it wasn't recited again.

Roll Call found the following trustees to be present: Doug Smith, Roger Walker, Pam Anklam, Dennis Garmon, David Eckel, and Barry Morgan. Clerk Alma Fair and Treasurer Katie Stanley were also present.  
President Jim Minor was absent.

**Guests** present were Linda Patrick, Shirley Smith, Susan Gordon, Jay Clark, Nathan Koonce, Meta Creek and Florence Hallford. Those noted as requesting to speak were Linda Patrick and Meta Creek.

Linda Patrick informed the board that she found the ordinance regarding the placing of garbage cans next to the street. The ordinance number is 580. In this ordinance under 8.20.031 – Trash and Garbage Receptacles it states, "Trash and garbage receptacles may not be placed in any alley or street, but may be placed next to the curb line adjacent to the alley or street no more than 12 hours prior to or after scheduled pick up."

1. **Amanda Doggett regarding Park Recreation 2013 funds request and appointments.** - was not present but Dennis Garmon had a letter from her that he will report on in his reports of Parks and Special Projects.
2. **Meta Creek for the Alumni Board regarding Homecoming 2013 (October 19, 2013)** – Asked for the roads to be blocked off during Homecoming and asked if they could use the electricity. Would like to be on the agenda in July to request \$500.00 to be used for general expenses for Homecoming.
3. Pam Anklam introduced two of the three new police officers hired by the board. Jay Clark and Nathan Koonce. The third officer, Anthony Clark, had to work and wasn't able to be present.

**New Business**

1. **Discussion and action appointing Village Clerk Alma Fair as payroll clerk**  
With the payroll clerk resigning, Clerk Fair said she would take over.  
A **Motion** was made by Morgan and seconded by Smith to appoint Village Clerk Alma Fair as Payroll Clerk.  
**YEA:** Smith, Walker, Anklam, Morgan, Eckel, Garmon. **MOTION CARRIED.**
2. **Discussion and action on appointing Susan Gordon as assistant clerk in the Village Clerk's absence**  
Clerk Fair read from the Lovington Village Code on page 1-37 the duties of Deputy Clerk.  
A **Motion** was made by Morgan and seconded by Eckel to appoint Susan Gordon as Deputy Clerk at no addition pay in the absence of the Village Clerk.  
**YEA:** Walker, Anklam, Morgan, Eckel, Garmon, Smith **MOTION CARRIED.**
3. **Discussion and action to authorize extension of loan #45315 at the Hardware State Bank**  
The Balance of this loan is \$174,495.29 with the interest rate of 2.5000%  
A **Motion** was made by Garmon and seconded by Eckel to authorize the extension of loan #45315 at the Hardware State Bank with a balance of \$174,495.29.  
**YEA:** Anklam, Morgan, Eckel, Garmon, Smith, Walker **MOTION CARRIED.**
4. **Discussion and action for Coffman and Associates to do the Village of Lovington FY 2012 – 2013 audit; not to exceed \$3400.00**  
A **Motion** was made by Anklam and seconded by Morgan to authorize Coffman and Associates to do the Village of Lovington Fiscal Year 2012-2013 audit; not to exceed \$3400.00.  
**YEA:** Morgan, Eckel, Garmon, Smith, Walker, Anklam **MOTION CARRIED.**
5. **Discussion and action on 2013 Prevailing Wage Ordinance**  
A **Motion** was made by Anklam and seconded by Morgan to accept the 2013 Prevailing Wage Ordinance #O-061013-1  
**YEA:** Eckel, Garmon, Smith, Walker, Anklam, Morgan **MOTION CARRIED.**

**Old Business**

1. **Skate Park Committee Report**  
Trustee Walker reported that the contract for the skate park should be faxed soon. Trustee Smith and Garmon want to see the contract before it is signed. Smith stated that all contracts must come before the board before being signed.

**Minutes and action of Village Clerk**

1. **Discussion and action on unpaid invoices**  
A **Motion** was made by Morgan and seconded by Anklam to pay all invoices.  
**YEA:** Garmon, Smith, Walker, Anklam, Morgan, Eckel **MOTION CARRIED.**
2. **Discussion and action on May 6, 2013 Regular Board meeting minutes and May 13, 2013 Special Board Meeting minutes.**  
Clerk Fair stated she would like to have board packets ready for the board by Friday so that they can come in to the office to pick up before the Monday board meeting.

A **Motion** was made by Smith and seconded by Morgan to accept the May 6, 2013 Regular Board meeting minutes and May 13, 2013 Special Board Meeting minutes.

**YEA:** Smith, Walker, Anklaam, Morgan, Eckel, Garmon **MOTION CARRIED.**

#### **Treasurer's Report**

**1. Discussion and action on May 2013 treasurer's report.**

Treasurer Stanley stated the program that is used doesn't have a good list of accounts and would like to add or change some of the accounts. She asked about a support contract with the ACS program. Treasurer Stanley stated she would be gone for the next meeting and Tom Bennett will fill in for her.

A **Motion** was made by Garmon and seconded by Morgan to accept the May 2013 treasurer's report as presented.

**YEA:** Walker, Anklaam, Morgan, Eckel, Garmon, Smith **MOTION CARRIED.**

#### **Department Reports**

##### **Presidents Report**

None

##### **Water and Sewer Report**

**1. Report – by Trustee Eckel**

Trustee Eckel could get rock at 100 ton for \$875.00. Jeremy and Chris could both use it. Riley's will haul it for \$40.00 a load. Trustee Smith stated he might be able to use some in Motor Fuel. Trustee Morgan stated as long as the cost was split between Streets & Alleys and Water & Sewer can approve without a motion.

The following was being done or was done:

Sewer Plant – painted

Weed & mowing

Horse shoe pits removed

Road patching

Clean up after storm

Rock by Wilhelm's

All pumps are working. The water is a lot clearer now that the new valves are in place. The water at his house is now blue.

#### **Parks and Special Projects**

**1. Reports – by Trustee Garmon**

Fish Fry is this Friday – June 14, 2013 at the park

Have planted trees and also planted across from the park in the boulevard. They will bloom a bright white in the Spring. (Trustee Walker stated he had community members ask him why we haven't planted trees to replace ones cut down.)

Edged all the sidewalks

Mowed

Replaced the screw in the equipment

Painting has been done.

The Park recreation mentioned under Guests is as follows:

**The 2013 Summer Park Recreation** will be held on July 22-26<sup>th</sup> from 9am-11am at the Tom Conn Park. They will be providing snacks, Kool-Aid and water all week. Several other items would also need to be purchased for the week.

They are asking for \$400 for week's activities and games. All unused money, along with receipts will be returned.

A **Motion** was made by Smith and seconded by Eckel to give \$400.00 to the Park Recreation for Summer Recreation.

**YEA:** Anklaam, Morgan, Eckel, Garmon, Smith, Walker **MOTION CARRIED.**

#### **Police**

**1. Report – by Trustee Anklaam**

New tires are needed for the police car. All four need to be replaced and recommends having Lovington Auto put them on. No motion was needed for this.

The part-time officers have been enrolled in the basic training course. They will need uniforms and a few other items.

Full time police officer will be back to work tomorrow 6/11/13.

The amount of hours covered in the Public Act 89-170, Ill. Law Enforcement Training & Standard Board states, up to 1056 hours for part-time. Clerk Fair stated that IMRF is up to 600 hours is part time. Fair will send the figures of the % that the employee and employer pay to IMRF to Trustee Anklaam. Trustee Walker would like to know how much we are going to pay if the IMRF hours are over 600 hours.

Trustee Walker also mentioned that he saw in the paper that next year if an employee works over 30 hours the employer has to provide insurance. This is part of Obama Care. Trustee Eckel thinks it is only if over so many employees.

**2. Discussion and action on feral cat trapping program within the village**

Roaming feral cats are a common complaint throughout the village, now that we have our own animal control in place, we can address these issues. This is how the program would work: Residents that have issues with feral cats would call animal control between the hours of 8am and noon to request a live trap to be set on their property. Property owners would be responsible for contacting Sue Gordon once a cat has been trapped and ensuring the animals safety while in the trap and on their premises. Property owners would also have to assume liability for the trap while on their premises.

The difference between a feral cat and a domestic cat would be up to the animal control officer – Sue, to decide. Feral cats are taken to Sullivan for euthanasia and domestic cats are taken to MCAC to give owners a chance to claim them. After some discussion it was decided since the Animal control program is up for review in August they will add feral cat trapping for review then too.

#### **Streets and Alleys**

**1. Report – by Trustee Smith**

Trustee Eckel had already reported all the work being done by the street workers so Smith had nothing more to add. Trustee Smith requested that Clerk Fair contact him when she received bills that are marked for Motor Fuel so he can determine if they should be paid from the Motor Fuel fund or not.

Trustee Walker stated the trees that are marked with an X are marked to come down. Bids were received from Flannel and from Whispering Pines for \$3000, he hopes to keep the cost between \$2,000 to \$2500.

**2. Discussion and action to accept Earl Walker company, Inc. bid for 2013 road oiling.**

A **Motion** was made by Smith and seconded by Morgan to accept Earl Walker Company, Inc. bid for the 2013 road oiling for \$29,568.01.

**YEA:** Morgan, Eckel, Garmon, Smith, Walker, Anklam **MOTION CARRIED.**

#### **Buildings and Grounds**

**1. Report - Trustee Walker**

We received a check from the insurance company to replace the roofs of the water department building and the shed next to it. Doug Marick is going to be doing the work.

A **Motion** was made by Walker and seconded by Smith to approve Marick's contract to repair the roofs of the water department building and the shed next to it.

**YEA:** Eckel, Garmon, Smith, Walker, Anklam, Morgan **MOTION CARRIED.**

Walker reported that we need to get part of Virginia Drive and the railroad right of way behind Virginia Drive surveyed. After surveying then the Village needs to post on the railroad right of way – property of the Village of Lovington.

A **Motion** was made by Walker and seconded by Garmon to have Virginia Drive and the railroad right of way behind Virginia Drive surveyed.

**YEA:** Garmon, Smith, Walker, Anklam, Morgan, Eckel **MOTION CARRIED.**

#### **Insurance**

**1. Report - Trustee Morgan**

There was nothing to report.

Trustee Walker had Clerk Fair read a thank you note from David and Sharon Cox thanking the Village employees for finding a drain in front of their house that had been hidden for over 16 years. It greatly improved the rate of drainage during the recent heavy rains.

#### **Adjournment**

A **Motion** was made by Trustee Morgan and seconded by Eckel to adjourn at 8:37 p.m.

**YEA:** Smith, Walker, Anklam, Morgan, Eckel, Garmon **MOTION CARRIED.**



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Alma M. Fair, Village Clerk

July 8, 2013

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Date Approved